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SALISBURY DEPARTMENT.

BY A. W. JOHNSON.

Mr. Johnson is authorized to receive and receipt for Subscriptions, and any Advertisements handed to him will receive our prompt attention.

The day before Christmas our city was full of jolly, good-natured people, and from the amount of presents carried off it was evident that Santa Claus was a busy fellow.

Next to the choir sang "Ring, Ring, Merry Christmas Bells," then a few minutes speech by Rev. Ramsey, when Santa Claus was introduced by a solo, led by Mrs. L. B. Coates, assisted by a full chorus.

A committee then took charge of the tree, and delivered the presents to the anxiously awaiting children. The house was so crowded that standing room was at a premium.

In the case of the State against Howard, charged with selling liquor without license, tried before a jury last Thursday in Justice Newbold's court, the defendant was found guilty and his fine placed at \$40.

The "law mill," which has been standing idle all fall, is now running regularly, and a number of small grists are being ground out, but none of sufficient importance to be worthy of special note.

Eugene and Willie Moore, of St. Louis, and Miss Donnie Moore, of Camden Point, are spending the holidays at home with their parents.

Prof. J. H. and M. B. Mason, from the country, and Prof. L. B. Coates, from this city, three of our most successful teachers, will attend the Teacher's Association of Northeast Missouri this week, at Moberly.

Not long ago one of the meanest things took place that Chariton county can furnish. The Misses Burton, three ladies living alone, have several bee stands, and one night as a neighbor was riding by on his way home from church his horse shied at something by the side of the road, which upon searching proved to be two bee stands packed together, partly broken open but the contents undisturbed.

The thieves were alarmed by the horseman and ran away. The ladies saved the honey, but it is only the meanest of all mean characters who would rob defenseless woman kind.

That dreadful gun club. Some of its members had a Fourth of July celebration out in this neighborhood not long ago, and should be answerable to the humane society for the frightening of game and bees.

Dr. Bowman has a poor fence around his farm, and some of his neighbors have been caught by the fence, and fastened to a post, set in the ground and supporting an over-hang-

ing roof to a smoke house. That night he tore the post down from the house and up from the ground and went off—the collar snap coming loose. He was brought back the next day, tied with the other trace chain and fastened to a log in the smoke house with egress and ingress through the door.

The doctor keeps his harness hanging on pegs by the side of the door, and when he came to look after his dog he had eaten three back hands, paved the harness promiscuously and nearly eaten all the door facing off. He is gone, and the doctor isn't mourning, but the dog, he will have to hunt up another set of plow harness before spring.

Mr. Baltimore Charne was in the neighborhood this week.

Miss Eva Bell returned home from Kansas City.

Wm. Oldham and Minnie Adams have gone to Kansas, and write back that they are well pleased, that they never saw such big corn stalks in their lives as there, but still Kansas has had to beg her bread a time or two, while "poor old Missouri" has not yet had that to do.

There is no news of interest to report.

Chariton Divide.

Christmas has once more come and gone, and so far there has nothing occurred to mar the pleasure of any one, and many fond recollections will intertwine around our memories, causing many of us in the future, perhaps at other times and places, to think pleasantly of the surroundings of kind friends and associates with whom we so pleasantly mingled this quiet, pleasant Christmas day.

The holiness meeting, held at the Walker school house, lasted about two weeks, the first of which was conducted by Miss Clements and brother, of Mexico, who were assisted in the latter part of the meeting by Rev. John Creighton. Several professed holiness during the meeting.

Many of the folks in the vicinity of the Cross-roads school house were made to rejoice at the nice presents they received off of the Christmas tree on last Monday night.

Notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather on Sunday, several from this vicinity went to hear the Rev. Dr. McEuen preach at the Pleasant Grove church.

We learn that Rev. Knicker has been recalled from this circuit to supply some place made vacant by sickness. We failed to learn the point at which he was called. Notice has been received from the presiding elder that Revs. Crews and McEuen will fill his appointments until the place is supplied.

Rev. Crews filled his appointment at the Walker school house last Sunday.

Dr. McEuen preaches at the Bell school house next Sunday.

We learn that C. W. Shemmaker and Alex. Kincaid have for sale 80 acres in the east half of southwest 1-54-18, for \$800.

The burning of the upper bridge on the Chariton river is a great inconvenience to travel north of here to the town of Salisbury. We learn that the county court has authorized parties to raise the bridge out of the river, preparatory to having it repaired—a move, we think, in the right direction, as the structure was too costly to allow it to wash away for want of timely attention.

We notice that some correspondents of yours from the kingdom of Pee Dee is raising a great hue and cry because some one took the liberty to say about restraining the restive swine from running at large, as though we any longer had any outside range to amount to anything—as though even our cows, what few run out, did not have to lean up against the fence to bawl at their calves, and as if a few Chariton bottomies who turned out in the bottom twenty years ago some old hazle splitters, whose posterity never runs out, and for that reason they seem to have exclusive jurisdiction, so much so that no honest man can count on any large dividends from the increase of any later deposits, I suppose is the principal reason why we have this howl. We, for one, favor the stock law. But we are also in favor of a general stock law, and we are inclined to think if our people get a chance to vote on a law of that kind, Chariton county will carry it by a handsome majority.

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James Scott, aged ninety-nine years, of Camptonville, Cal., has made application for naturalization papers, to enable him to secure a homestead under the United States statutes. He is a native of Ireland, and is evidently making calculations to live some time yet.

Miss Anthony is the guest of Mrs. Spofford in Washington. If rigid and long suffering determination will carry the suffrage amendment through congress, then Miss Anthony's visit to the center of national wickedness will not be for naught.

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Weather inconsistent.
 The farmers are about done gathering corn.

The corn yield is about one-third of a crop, and is selling at 40c per bushel.

We learn that the M. E. Conference have called in Rev. Rucker, from the Westville circuit, to preach in another circuit in the north part of this State. They also appointed Dr. H. G. McEuen and Rev. Charles Crews to fill the vacancy.

Dr. H. G. McEuen will preach at the Bell school-house the first Sunday in January.

The holiness meeting has come to a close at the Walker school-house. It was conducted by Rev. Creighton and Miss Clements, of Centuria. We approve of women teaching school or hearing young children recite Sunday-school lessons, but we disapprove of women preaching the gospel, because the Bible tells us to let your women keep silent in the church.

There is some sickness in this neighborhood. Mrs. Jane Bishop is sick, her complaint being phthisis. Mr. Padgett's son is very sick with typhoid fever.

Perry Stacy and family are at R. O. Bennett's visiting.

We wonder if that \$14 cloak don't presage an early matrimony?

CHARITON DIVIDE.

Plenty of bad weather.

Winter has come with her icy fetters and hoary head, in the shape of a big sleet.

Lots of sickness in our midst. The doctors are riding day and night.

H. M. Livingston, late of Sullivan county, has rented the Oldham farm, southwest of this place.

Judge Salisbury has sold his farm of 80 acres, three miles south of this place, to Ben and Thomas Horton, the consideration being \$600.

Wm. Langford has moved to Wack & Pierce's saw mill, to log for them this winter.

Alfred Clabbs will run Mr. Langford's farm next year.

There was a Christmas tree at the cross-roads school house, which was a complete success.

H. M. Brantner, who has been visiting friends and relatives in this section, started for Kansas City last week, where his mother lives.

Steve Gordon, who went to Texas county, this State, has returned. He says that one acre of land in Chariton county is worth ten down there. Yes, I understand what he means by that—this acre, I suppose, is just north of Keytesville, close to the Scribner school-house.

What young man was that at the Scribner school-house, a couple of Sundays ago, that thought so much of his hat that he caused Rev. Beawick to remove him? Inside of his hat was the inscription "Jersey Lily."

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MARY O'CONNOR, a Philadelphia factory girl, jumped from the fourth story window of Samuel S. Keely's establishment to escape a fire, and was disabled for life. A jury has just awarded her \$10,000 damages.

They continue to find live frogs in impossible places. One has been found in the heart of a large oak in Texas, but those remarkable people did not think enough of the curiosity to preserve it. No one is expected to disbelieve a Texas story.

JOHN RAFFERMAN died at Bellevue Hospital, New York, the other day. The corpse weighed over four hundred pounds, and before the remains could be placed in an undertaking establishment a portion of the framework of the door had to be taken down.

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